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1. PROFESSIONAL LEVEL GOVT WORKERS THIS MORNING JOINED WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS LARGEST NUMBER OF QUEBEC WORKERS TO STAY OFF JOB IN PROVINCE HISTORY. ON THIS MAY DAY EVE, GOVT BUILDINGS WERE SURROUNDED BY PICKETERS. CALLS TO VARIOUS OFFICES INDICATE ONLY SKELETON FORCE SHOWED UP FOR WORK THIS MORNING.

5,800 MEMBER-STRONG CIVIL SERVANT'S UNION MARKING ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF SUBMISSION DEMANDS WHICH HAVE NOT YET BEEN SETTLED BY GOVT.

2. ALSO, AS EXPECTED, TEACHERS JOINED IN COMMON FRONT WALKOUT, NOW IN SECOND DAY, SHUTTING DOWN SCHOOLS ACROSS PROVINCE. IN ADDITION, HYDRO-QUEBEC WORKERS WALKED OFF JOB IN ONE DAY STRIKE TO PROTEST PACE OF THEIR CONTRACT TALKS.
3. MEANWHILE GOVT HAS DELAYED DECISION TO EXTEND DECREE IN CONSTRUCTION SECTOR. IT WILL EXPIRE AT MIDNIGHT AND, IF NOT EXTENDED, CONSTRUCTION WORKERS WILL ALSO BE IN LEGAL POSITION TO STRIKE AS OF MAY 1.

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